

C1 9. (Three Times Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which the compound is designed or selected to interact with the β -sheet of the L1 domain causing an alteration in the position of the L1 domain relative to the position of the S1 domain or the L2 domain.

C2 12 (Three Times Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which the compound is designed or selected to interact with the β -sheet of the L2 domain causing an alteration in the position of the L2 domain relative to the position of the S2 domain.

D 13. (Three Times Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 in which the compound is designed or selected to bind to a lower face containing the second β -sheet of the L1 and/or L2 domains, wherein the structure of the face is characterized by a plurality of solvent-exposed hydrophobic residues.

sub. DI C3 54. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the testing in step (C) is carried out *in vitro*.

sub. DI C4 56. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the testing in step (C) is carried out *in vivo*.
